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## NEBRASKA ANNOUNCES 2014 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE GRANT TO INITATE, EXPAND SERVICES

The Nebraska Department of Education Nutrition Services today announced the availability of grants to initiate or expand Summer Food Service Programs that serve children.

Program sponsors may apply for up to \$15,000 a year for non-recurring expenses. Eligible entities or sponsors under the Summer Food Services Program include:

- Public or private nonprofit school food authorities
- Local, municipal or county government
- Any other type of private non-profit organization

Eligible entities must be located within the boundaries of a school district in which 50 percent or more of the students qualify for free and reduced lunches or within the boundaries of a census tract in which 50 percent or more of the children fall below the poverty threshold as defined by the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

To download a grant application, visit the Nebraska Department of Education Nutrition Services' web page at: <a href="http://www.education.ne.gov/ns/SFSP/news.html">http://www.education.ne.gov/ns/SFSP/news.html</a>. To request a grant application packet or to verify eligibility, contact Nutrition Services at 402-471-2488 (Lincoln) or 1-800-731-2233 (outside of Lincoln) or email <a href="mailto:sue.gilleland@nebraska.gov">sue.gilleland@nebraska.gov</a>.

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